

the Department of Aging was formed, it was an attempt to bring the Aging Commission in with other agencies. It is no longer necessary either, and so we are going to get rid of a couple of different committees and I'd move for the advancement of the bill to do so.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? The question is, shall LB 1067 be advanced. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of 1067.

SPEAKER BARRETT: LB 1067 advances. LB 831.

CLERK: 831 by Senator Labeledz. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 3, referred to Revenue, advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Labeledz.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. LB 831 simply removes the Douglas County Treasurer and the Douglas County Assessor as ex-officio members of the Land Reutilization Authority Commission. In 1973 the act was passed to administer tax delinquent lands. The act established a land commission consisting of five members, one of whom is appointed by the governing body of the largest city within the county and another is appointed by the Board of County Commissioners and a third is appointed by the Board of Education located in the largest city of the county. The act makes the county treasurer and the county assessor ex-officio members. All commissioners including the ex-officio members are required to post a \$15,000 surety bond annually to guarantee the faithful performance of their duties. If this legislation would be passed, Douglas County would not have to pay the cost of filing the two \$15,000 bonds and the treasurer's office and the assessor's office will continue to furnish the information to the commission and retain the administrative rules. The Land Reutilization Authority Act applies only to counties with a population of over 350,000. In other words, it just applies to Douglas County and I ask your support to advance LB 831 to E & R Initial.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? Seeing none, all in favor of the advancement of 831 please vote aye, opposed nay.